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## Local and General.

Will Collinson leaves this week for the old country.

Mrs. Frank Taylor and daughter of Lamerton have gone to Calgary to spend the winter.

Auger & Shute, dental parlors, upstairs over Morris & Taylor's hardware store.

The Young Men's Club held a very successful social in the club rooms Thursday evening.

Reg. Browne left this week for Winnipeg where he will take a course in the Moler Barber College.

If that great difficulty to see in the result of cataracts forming Dr. Harvey can tell you, and if not, ease your mind. Consultation at Lacombe, Tuesday, October 13th.

As a side attraction for the fair Stettler put on a fire in the evening for the entertainment of visitors. The blaze broke out about 9 o'clock in a Chinese laundry, which burned to the ground, as did also the Dominion land office adjoining. The Astor hotel adjoining on the other side was considerably scorched but by hard work was saved from destruction.

Many people imagine if their vision is keen glasses are unnecessary, they ascribe nervous trouble to every cause but defective innervation of the sight. Why proceed in doubt and allow this vampire, eye strain, to sap your vitality when calling on Dr. Harvey, the eye specialist, will remove uncertainty.

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September 28 the Conservatives of Erskine held a meeting in the interests of Mr. Geo. F. Root. Mr. Bergman called the meeting to order and Mr. Hopkins was made chairman of the evening. Mr. Bergman made a short, pointed address, telling why he was going to vote the Conservative ticket. He had carefully studied both sides of the question and was convinced that it was time for a change. He urged every voter to exercise the right of franchise and vote his convictions. Following Mr. Bergman, Mr. Crow of Lacombe made the speech of the evening. He was an independent voter having voted three times for each party, but he was not going to cast another Liberal ballot until this corrupt Liberal government had been hurled from power. He made a comparison of the candidates followed by a resume of the timber, fishing, land and grazing leases, and closing with a concise, clear statement of Mr. Boden's constructive policy. Mr. Crow's statement of what the Conservative party had done for agriculture by the establishment of creameries, cold storage and experimental farms was of special interest to the audience. Mr. Crow handled the subject of the G. T. P. as a business proposition for which the tax payers foot the bill. Messrs. Crow and Bergman were well received and the feeling of the crowd was with them that it is time for a change. The Erskine constituency is solid for Root. Mr. Crow has also had meetings at Liberal and Stettler.

Dr. Clark's "manly" and "open" campaign is fittingly illustrated in the Globe by an article entitled, "Geo. F. Root and the Late Thos. Cairns M. P. The editor makes the very grave charge that Mr. Root omitted to publish a COMMENT to Clark from Mr. Cairns. For that reason, Mr. Cairns delivered to some third party, not only a copy of his letter to Mr. Root but Mr. Root's original letter to him. "We are there with the goods" boasts the editor. Then why don't you produce them? Mr. Root's letter must have been straightforward and to the point. Mr. Cairns reply has been published in part at least, and now let the Globe tell us what all this tempest in a tea-pot is about. What was it that Mr. Cairns said about Clark? Clark can't catch the vote of this riding with either shoddy woolens or shoddy politics. If you know anything for the good of the cause spit it out old man. The people who read your paper are all intelligent. They may be trusted to form their own conclusions. All this ruction blinds no one to the fact that Clark has refused to put himself on record on the embargo question.

Clippings sent by Thos. Cairns M. P. to Geo. F. Root with his letter of 12th August 1908. Questions asked British Parliament by members opposed to the

## It's Time for a Change

removal of the embargo on cattle.

Mr. Cathcart Watson—To ask the Prime Minister, if his attention has been directed to the fact that, since the last colonial conference, when the question of the unrestricted importations of Canadian cattle was discussed at no great length, NO REPRESENTATIONS have been made by the Canadian government to His Majesty's government with reference to the subject; and if in view of the DANGEROUS INFECTIOUS DISEASES existent in America, he will not propose any modification of the existing law unless such modification is accompanied by the stringent quarantine regulations in force in America and Europe.

Mr. Cathcart Watson—To ask the honorable member for South Somerset, as representing the president of the board of agriculture if he can state the number

and variety of cattle diseases existent in Canada and the United States by the last reports from those countries.

The fear of infectious diseases is based on the very misleading report of Canada's veterinary general in 1904.

Has any political corruptionist been in your neighborhood? Has any weak brother sold his manhood for the position of Justice of the Peace, Commissioner of Oaths, enumerator or returning officer? Scan your neighbors. If any servile, time-serving neighbor is guilty of being influenced by a smooth tongue and a patronage bag you will find him on the bargain counter marked 30 cents. Lend him a hand, if he wishes to gain an upright position. Otherwise shun him as a leper, for he has contracted that loathsome, moral cancer, graft.

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Men's Best Fleece Underwear, Peznan's make, a satisfactory underwear in every way, all sizes. LORD'S price per garment..... 60c

Men's Red Underwear—The very best of Nova Scotia wool. Absolutely fast dyes. LORD'S price per garment..... \$1.50

Women's Heavy Cotton—Elastic rib. Made of fine soft yarns in White and Natural. Vests and drawers, all sizes. LORD'S price per garment..... 30c

Women's Union Underwear, 25 per cent wool, fine soft yarns, will not shrink. All sizes, vests and drawers. LORD'S price per garment..... 30c and 40c

Women's All Wool, elastic rib, good winter weight, will not irritate the most delicate skin. In three grades. LORD'S prices..... 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25

Women's Combination Suits, the well known American brand "Queita" in heavy fleece finish cotton. All sizes..... \$1.00

Boys' Fleece Lined Shirts and Drawers, heavy weave, soft fleeces lining, sizes 22 to 32. LORD'S price..... 25c to 45c

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Infants' Vests, fine white cashmere yarn, soft as silk. Sizes 1, 2, 3. LORD'S price per garment..... 50c

Girls' All Wool Underwear, fine elastic ribbed, extra soft yarns unshrinkable. 10 ages 3 to 14 years..... 50c to 75c

Girls' Union Underwear, part wool and part cotton, splendid wear, good to 14 years. For garments..... 50c to 65c

Girls' Heavy Cotton Vests, elastic ribbed, all ages..... 25c to 35c

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# Coats for Early Fall



FIG. C—ONE-PIECE JACKET IN MERRILLINE BRAIDED WITH SOUTACHE.

ALMOST the first fall problem to bother the home-dressmaker is that of a wrap which will do duty with such of her summer garments as can be worn during September and October. Velling and silk gowns of all sorts are suitable for early fall wear unless their creases live in a section of the country where summer sweeps directly into winter.

Before giving any thought to purchasing a ready-made coat of tailored design for general fall wear, study your between-season frocks. They must govern the choice of outer garment.

Perhaps you have a very good shirt-waist suit, made last spring, in Panama, mohair or checked voile, showing the very good combination of green and blue skillfully mingled. You expected to wear that costume's great deal when on your vacation, but the resort selected proved anything but cool, and you lived in lines and lawn. Therefore you have at your service, for which you may be profoundly grateful, a neat between-season shirt-suit well for business, shopping, marketing and emergency wear of all kinds.

Now as to the jacket. As the suit is checked, you must have a plain cloth in the jacket, and one whose coloring will not offend by too pronounced contrast. If you can match the blue in the check, exactly, I would suggest dark blue, in broadcloth, belted with stitching and very plain buttons. Do not attempt to make a tailored jacket of plain blue mohair, Panama or velling. They seldom get well as the severe tailored style demand a firmer weave of cloth. If you do not find a desirable matching blue, then select that dependable shade, tan or mode, in English cloth, whipcord, etc., finishing with stitching and very plain buttons. A coat to be worn with a checked or striped suit must be very plain, with no braid or velvet, or silk trimmings.

A very smart design for a tailored fall jacket is shown in Figure A. It is known as the Prince Charming coat and is well suited to either the stout or slender figure. Its novelties are the very long opening in the front with narrow lapels to assist the woman of stout figure, and the three matty little pockets which may be "really, truly" pockets or just simulated with flaps.

Or perhaps you have a pongee or rough silk costume that has seen little service. It may be one of those pretty combinations of plain and polka-dotted silk, in which case you can utilize it for dressy fall wear by adding a very elaborate, a combination of silk, velvet and lace. Try one of the new, until really sharp weather sets in. There are sometimes gowns, and coats, which have been worn quite a little during the summer.

Figure B shows a very satisfactory design which you can elaborate according to your needs and your purse. It requires 2½ yards of material in silk, wool or 18 or 20 inches, and if you are using pongee in the thirty-inch width, two yards will be enough. The coat is pictured in semi-fitting, without side-plackets. A strap at the waist-line connects the front and back. The shoulder seams are long, giving just a suggestion of the over-sleeve effect. If your frock is a dotted, striped or

figured pongee, use plain pongee in the same shade for this costume. Make it with a flat braid in the same shade, showing a lace pattern, or you can employ a very hand in soft, harmonious colors. Another effective finish is lace banding of yolk, spread to match the silk. Sometimes these "lasties" are braided quite elaborately, and for very dressy wear, say with a fine voile of delicate coloring, you can make it of heavy lace, on a matching silk foundation.

A beautiful combination recently seen in a smart shop showed an elaborate gown of sage-green voile, trimmed with a row of very neat little wrap to wear in combination with a figured foulard or novelty velling. It could be developed into the fabric of the gown, but better effects are secured if a contrasting silk is used, particularly a soft, lustrous silk, braided and finished with tassels. They are also made of heavy lace, overlying silk.

In Figure D you will find the very best cutaway model to be worked out in plain black satin, which will be much worn for semi-tailored jackets this fall. Use them with gowns of striped or dotted silk, plain, striped, checked or figured velling and with plain black velling. For this design, use a heavy black satin, lined with white. The collar and turn-back cuffs are braided with black silk soutache, or if you want a more striking effect, use black and white striped satin or white satin braided with black for these accessories. If your coat is all black, including the frogs, then use black braid on the coat and for the belt, which finishes the jacket at the throat. If you want the black and white combination, then introduce it in collar, cuffs and tie. But this should be attempted only when the jacket is to be worn with an all-black costume. When it is to be worn with a contrasting color, by all means keep the coat solid black.

It will be noted that in this design the collar does not meet in the front, but leaves a space of about three inches open. The collar is held in place by the tie, which is slipped one end through a strap on the other, giving a modified four-in-hand effect. A lace jabot or bow is then worn as a finish on the blouse beneath.

The craze for waist coats seems to be waning, and the fad for cravats trimmings will be absolutely dead by fall. The smartest vest effects for early fall will be in self-tone material, heavily braided. The exception is the real Louis coat of fine material, when the vest may be of embroidered, brocade, damask or ribbon or heavy lace enriched by braid or embroidery.



FIG. A—PRINCE CHARMING COAT IN TAN COLORED WHIP CORD.

## Etiquette on Shipboard

FAMOUS old saying, "write the directions for making a successful shipboard," began by saying "First catch the rabbit," and so I say to you, when going on board a boat—first, get a chaplain. There is no other place of amusement where it is quite so imperative that "young men" and "girls" should not be by themselves. Indeed, a man who owns a yacht, cat boat or yawl of any size, will always suggest a party of more than two, and the third person must be a married woman. The owner of the boat sends a row boat or gig to the shore to meet the guests, and when they get aboard the yacht, he makes quite sure that the chaplain is not neglected, nor pushed aside in some obscure corner of the boat. The also has the seal of honor at the table. Here is a place where the man is host, and he performs all the duties that a woman would as hostess in her home. He it is who suggests cooling drinks, luncheon, fresh comfortable seats for his guests, and offers other such bits of service as he can render. The women should be his guests, and await his suggestions. If the party is to be of only a few hours' duration—such as to view some race—then no baggage is taken along, except in the form of extra wraps for personal comfort. The proper dress for shipboard does not consist of "beachy" lingerie dresses, nor elaborate foulard silks. White or colored linen suits, blue serge skirts and smart shirt waists, white duck skirts, etc., are rampant in which a girl should appear when on such a trip.

Many men are very particular about the deck of their boats being scratched by the heavy nails in boots, and in such cases you can have rubber heels put on your shoes or wear canvas boots with rubber soles and no heels on them. This request is seldom made, however, except in cases of extremely handsome boats.

On longer trips, where the week-end is to be spent in cruising from one harbor to another, a suit case of clothing can be taken along. If you are to go on shore to some entertainment, then an evening gown should be taken for this purpose. Your host will always tell you whether you are going to land or stay on board all of the time. But this fancy dress is not to be worn on

the ship. Yachting is a very informal sport. Let the girl who usually spends an hour or more in the bathroom at home, remember that she must hurry on board a ship—and not impose on the good nature of others. Let her do her business in the bathroom, and waste no time over her bath.

A man should be extremely careful in forming a party to meet on his boat, and get very congenial people together. On land, where disagreeable conversations are started, a girl can easily walk away, but on board a boat she is not so privileged. And the guests who do meet in the small confines of shipboard, should all bend every energy to be agreeable. If you are the sort of girl that hates crowds, and like to sit alone with one man, then decline all invitations to yacht parties.

A girl spent three days on a yachting party, and a few days after she returned, her host received a set of silver for his bureau engraved with the ship's flag. You cannot imagine a man more embarrassed than he was. If you have been on a short cruise, and your host has been a most charming one, and you feel that you want to send him some remembrance of the trip, why do so by all means. But, if you value your standing with the man, make the gift some trifle—not a set of silver. A man who owns a yacht is always glad of fresh presents for his chairs and cushions. A "housewife" is another practical gift which the average girl can make, a pretty pin cushion, or some little trinket of this sort that can be used about the ship. Send this along with a little note, saying you had a lovely time.

The chaplain on board ship never retires until all the girls have said night to the host and gone to their various staterooms. The men are privileged to sit on the deck, smoke and talk all night, if they choose, but the girls should retire at a reasonable hour, and should rise in the morning in time for the hour appointed for breakfast.

There is very little chance for tipping aboard a private boat. I never heard of a steward who makes up your bed and attends to your stateroom being given a tip after a long cruise. On a party of a short afternoon trip, or one lasting a day, no tips are necessary. On long cruises, where the steward has been called upon to attend to a sea-sick guest, or been asked to suffer other personal ailments, he should be given a dollar bill at least.



FIG. D—BLACK SATIN CUTAWAY JACKET.

## Midsummer Luncheons

WHEN hostess who earnestly desires to score a brilliant success in giving a midsummer luncheon will feature cold meats and salads, as far as possible, any hot dishes. The claim is often made that such a luncheon is not nourishment, but this is not true, especially if you start it with ice bouillon or an aspic dish. Aspic is a clear stock made from chicken, veal or turkey, seasoned and cooked down until it jellies, or thickened with gelatin, allowing previously the same proportion of stock and gelatin that you would of wine and water for a wine jelly. Aspic dishes should be still others prefer to have the address of their home in place of either initials or name. Whatever the inscription, it should be stamped in gilt, silver or colored letters of a dull tone—bright red monograms on white paper are never seen.

For the girl in mourning will be found a black bordered paper in four widths. The heaviest, or No. 1 border, is used for deep mourning, the border growing narrower as the girl lightens her mourning, and just before she goes into colors she uses a pure white paper with what is known as the Italian border—the tiniest little black line possible all around the paper.

The young girl graduate who writes letters and dreams to all the girls in her class will find money in her pocket by investing in a pound or more of what is called "Foreign Note Paper." This is extremely thin, and the surfaces which match it are lined, so that the writing on the letter itself will not show through to enlighten the inquisitive eyes of the local postmistress.

## Smart Stationery

IN these days of fads and fancies a girl is known by her stationery almost as well as by her given name. Many fashionable girls select a certain color and type of writing paper and never vary it for years and years, and the idea is a good one. It stamps a girl as having individually of her own.

All personal stationery for social notes should have the writer's monogram on it. Some girls will cling to their christian names printed out in full, such as "Elmore," "Muriel," etc.—while still others prefer to have the address of their home in place of either initials or name. Whatever the inscription, it should be stamped in gilt, silver or colored letters of a dull tone—bright red monograms on white paper are never seen.

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FIG. B—MERRILLINE JACKET IN PONGEE SILK, TRIMMED WITH NOVELTY BRAID.

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## ELECTION AT HAND

**Sir Wilfrid's Ontario Tour; Misrepresents His Old Transcontinental Estimate. — Conservatives Ready; Nearly All Candidates in the Field. — Liberal Members Deserting Before the Fight.**

The government brings on the elections a week earlier than its friends or opponents expected. Matters are not going well, and it has been decided to get the thing over before the case gets much worse. Sir Wilfrid is engaging in a hysterical tour of Ontario, where those who still support him are expected to gather in large crowds and make a good deal of noise, concealing as far as possible the defections in the party and the government loss of influence and respect. Sir Wilfrid's opening Ontario speech, like that at Sorel, is altogether barren of fresh ideas. Partly it is self-glorification, partly defence and apology; but whether he praises himself or defends and excuses his government, the Premier skillfully avoids detail. He trusted himself to make a financial statement when he admitted that his own estimate made in 1904 of the cost of the Transcontinental to the people was too low. Sir Wilfrid says now that his old estimate was \$30,000,000, and admits that the burden will be larger. As a matter of fact, it was not, \$30,000,000, but \$13,000,000 that Sir Wilfrid formerly gave as the cost of the road. What he then said was: "The sum total of the money to be paid by the government for the construction of the line from Montreal to the Pacific will be in the neighborhood of \$12,000,000 or \$13,000,000 and not one cent more." (Hansard 1903, page 7691.) The Premier thinks now that he formerly made it \$30,000,000, and this gives a fair idea of the value of any statement in detail which he may make.

### Conservative Prospects.

The Conservative party is in very good shape for the election. It has practically all its candidates in the field in the Maritime provinces, Ontario and the West. More than two thirds of the Quebec constituencies have their nominations made. It is not usual for an opposition to be in this position before the writs are issued. Not more than five of the Conservative members in the late House are retiring from the field, and these are withdrawing entirely for private reasons. On the other hand a considerable number of late Liberal members have obtained or expect to get office, and some twenty others have withdrawn or been retired by their party. Half the government delegation of 14 from British Columbia and Manitoba are escaping before the battle begins. They foresee what is to happen in these provinces.

### Ontario Prospects.

In Ontario, as one of the provincial ministers has stated, the line of battle will be identical with that of the local contest a few months ago, and the results will

probably be about the same. In that case the government will carry about sixteen seats out of eighty-six. This means a loss of some 20 seats which the party carried in 1904, when it had the assistance of the Ross government, but which the federal and provincial Liberals were not able to carry in the provincial election.

### New Brunswick Liberals.

The New Brunswick situation is the same. In 1904 the provincial and local government, working together, carried seven seats out of thirteen. Three of these constituencies were lost by the two parties again fighting together last March. Now with the local government in harmony with the Conservative party it is expected that these will be held and others captured. In each of the three constituencies captured, the Conservative candidate is one of the successful provincial ticket, and each will hold the vote he got in March.

### Mr. Borden's Provincial Allies.

Already the government and its organs are complaining of the interference of provincial ministers. If they expected Premiers Whitney, Roblin, McBride, and Hazen to keep their hands off a government which has done its best to destroy them in the past and would do the same in the future could it remain in office, they should have known better. It is true that many Conservatives have tried to keep federal and provincial issues separate, but when Sir Wilfrid has made his government the active enemy of provincial ministers, he cannot expect these to remain neutral in his fights. Sir Wilfrid himself reached power through the active assistance given him by local ministers. If he loses office the same way it will only be justice. At least he finds on Mr. Borden's platform leaders or representatives of four successful and popular governments, and is reckoning with forces which he never met before.

### Sudden Change of Program.

Having declared at Sorel that he would go to the country with the administration as it then stood, Sir Wilfrid proceeded to Ottawa and at once made a change. Hon. Mr. Scott, Secretary of State, disappears. His place is taken by one Charles Murphy, an Ottawa lawyer, not known far away from his own town. The Premier could not consider that this change would make his government stronger, since Murphy has never been in parliament or in any legislative or municipal body, and is not accused of any knowledge of public affairs. But the venerable Secretary of State desires the appointment of his son to the Railway Commission, with a salary of \$9,000, and was more than ready to give up his own office in that behalf, the more so as his experienced judgment taught him that he would lose it anyway after the elections. Sir Wilfrid would have parted with Sir Richard Cartwright on similar terms, but it is pointed out that this minister was more fortunate than Scott, and had already obtained offices for all his relatives.

### Borrowing Mr. Borden's Platform.

Mr. Borden easily makes good his statement that the government has in one year used more of the Conservative platform than it has

adopted of the Liberal platform in twelve years.

The Halifax platform demanded civil service reform, with appointments and promotion by a commission after examinations. The government has taken part of this, but has kept for political patronage all the appointments in the outside service and all promotions inside and outside.

The Conservative platform demanded strict legislation against corruption and fraud in elections, and the Conservatives introduced a bill for this purpose. The government followed with a measure going half way in the same direction.

The Conservative platform called for the extension of the railway commission to give authority over corporations with national franchises. The government took part of this program, and gave the commission authority over telegraphs and telephones.

The Conservative platform declared for free rural mail delivery and the postmaster-general is now going about the country promising to establish such a system.

### Condemned Before Swallowing.

In some of these cases the government strongly resisted before accepting. For instance, the postmaster-general utterly condemned the free mail delivery policy. It was supported by J. E. Armstrong of Lambton, in an able speech February 15th, 1907, showing that the system had been a great success in the United States. Lemieux disputed this. He declared that the system in the United States had failed and involved the department in a great deficit. The most Lemieux would do was to say "when we reach a population of 20,000,000, if I am still postmaster-general, I can promise free rural mail delivery." (Hansard, page 3153.) April 18th, 1907, when Mr. Armstrong pressed again the question, Lemieux again declared that the system "was a great deficit producer," and that in the United States the department was considering its restriction rather than the expansion. "For the present," declared the minister, "we cannot give this country a free rural delivery" (page 3150.) Sir William Mulock as postmaster-general had taken the same position. He spoke of the rural delivery system as "this monster which has been raised up," and predicted that the scheme would cost \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000 a year. So late as November, 1907, the project was attacked by Fisher, minister of Agriculture, who declared that it was "an impossible policy, for it would involve us in financial disaster from a post-office point of view." Mr. Fisher was then denouncing the Halifax platform. Yet it happened that he was present ten months afterwards when Lemieux announced himself a convert to the Halifax platform idea, which both of them had so recently and violently condemned and ridiculed.

### It is Conservative Policy.

The Halifax platform demands "the improvement of existing postal facilities, especially in newly developed portions of the country, and the inauguration, after proper inquiry as to cost, of a system of free rural mail delivery." On the 9th of December, 1907, Mr. Armstrong moved a resolution in favor

of the system of rural free mail delivery such as had been established in other countries. That motion was voted down by a straight party division, every Liberal in the House opposing it. Nine months after this the Postmaster-General is going through the land asking for support on the ground that he proposes to do the very thing which he resisted as long as he could.

### Greenway is Number 77.

One more government supporter in the House has accepted his reward, and escaped the electors. Hon. Thomas Greenway, former premier of Manitoba, left the provincial legislature when his government was discredited and destroyed, and got into parliament. He has not cut much figure there, and since the "thin red line" conspiracy cannot well be repeated, his prospects for re-election were dim. Now, in his seventy-first year he has been appointed to an \$8,000 office, where he will probably make himself comfortable. McPherson, M. P., appointed to office last week, was number seventy-six. Greenway is the seventy-seventh member to receive office from a party whose leaders once proposed to prohibit such appointments. Two days after his appointment, the nominating convention in his late county, a letter was read from him asking the people of Manitoba to support the Laurier administration.

### Bad Financial Situation.

Here are some features of the financial situation at the end of August, the fifth month of the fiscal year:—

Revenue for August.....	\$ 7,942,372
Revenue for August, 1907.....	9,984,517
Decrease.....	1,492,245
Revenue for the 5 months.....	38,444,571
Revenue for same months 1907.....	41,056,405
Decrease.....	2,611,834
Expenditure for Aug. (current).....	7,875,074
Expenditure for August 1907.....	5,846,497
Expenditure for 5 months.....	1,826,577
Expenditure for same months 1907.....	25,494,180
Expenditure same months 1907.....	23,038,161
Excess.....	2,456,019
Capital expenditure for Aug.....	3,968,783
Capital expenditure for Aug '07.....	2,448,208
Excess of capital expenditure.....	1,520,575
Capital expenditure, 5 months.....	9,431,309
For the same 5 months 1907.....	7,006,900
Excess of capital, 5 months.....	2,424,409
Total decrease revenue 5 mon.....	8,211,834
Total increase expenditure 5 months.....	1,827,501
Change for worse, 5 months.....	13,039,335
Net debt August 1908.....	278,764,974
Net debt August 1907.....	251,785,639
Increase in the year.....	26,979,335
Increase in August alone.....	3,253,901

### Let Him Finish.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier still begs the privilege of finishing his work.

His government has given to speculators only about 2,500 square miles of western timber. There is a little more. Let him finish the job.

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# The MYSTERY

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and Samuel Hopkins Adams

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To the worth of this story there are two substantial tributes—first, that it was run as a serial by the London Sphere, a publication noted for its discrimination in the selection of serials and which rarely runs an American story; second, that "The Mystery" was one of the "good sellers" of 1917. This is a story of mystery and adventure on new lines. The style is as graphic and forceful as the "copy" of a skillful reporter of an important news event. The part of the hero unfolds gradually until he is revealed as the rarest combination of whimsical humor and cool courage ever presented, perhaps, in fiction. The narrative, which conveys the impression of reality, not fiction, is swift and alluring, holding the interest of the reader as with hooks of steel.

## CHAPTER I

THE late afternoon sun flamed its splendor of blue and gold like a banner over the Pacific, across whose depths the trade wind drowsed in measured gusts, the ocean's wide expanse a bulk wallowed sluggishly, the forgotten relic of a once brave and slightly ship, possibly the splinter of some olden tragedy, lay black and forbidding in the ordered procession of waves. Half a mile to the east of the derelict hovered a ship's cutter, the turn of her crew's heads speaking expectancy. As far again beyond, the United States cutter Wolverine outlined her severe and trim silhouette against the horizon. In all the spread of wave and sky no other thing was visible. For this was one of those desert parts of the Pacific, 300 miles north of the steamship route from Yokohama to Honolulu, 800 miles from the nearest land, Gardner Island, about thirty 700 northwest of the Hawaiian group.

On the cruiser's quarter deck the officers filed the starboard rail. Their interest was focused on the derelict. "Looks like a heavy log," said Ives, one of the junior lieutenants. "These floggers that lie with deck almost blank will stand more hammering than a mud fort." "What they'd let us put some fifty black shells into her," said Billy Edwards, the ensign, a wistful expression on his big brown cheerful face. "I'd like to see what they would do." "Nothing but waste a few hundred dollars of your Uncle Sam's money," observed Carter, the officer of the deck. "It takes placed charges inside and out for that kind of work."

"Barnett is the man for her then," said Ives. "He's no economist when it comes to getting results. There she goes!"

Without any particular haste, as it seemed to the watchers, the bulk was shouldered out of the water as by some hidden levitation. Its outlines melted into a gray outline, a whirling mist, and from that mist leaped a giant. Up, up, he towered, tossed, whirling arms a hundred feet abroad, dived and dived into the wide spread catarract. The water below was lashed into fury, in the midst of which a mighty death agonized back the troubled water, and the ship's side. Only then did the muffled boom of the explosion reach the ears of the spectators, presently to be followed by a whistling, swift skimming wave that swept irresistibly across the big gorges and lapped the ship's side, as for a message that the work was done.

Here and there in the sea a glint of silver, a patch of purple or dull red or a glistering apparition of shadow showed where the unintended victims of the explosion, the gay hued ones of sea of the warm waters, had succumbed to the force of the shock. Of the intended victim there was no sign save a few fragments of wood bobbing in a swirl of water.

When Barnett, the ordnance officer in charge of the destruction, returned to the ship Carter complimented him. "Good clean job, Barnett. She was a tough customer!"

"What was she?" asked Ives.

"The Caroline Lamp, three masted schooner. Any one seen anything of her?" Ives turned to the ship's surgeon, Trendon, a grizzled and brief spoken veteran, who had at his finger tips all the lore of all the waters under the reign of the moon.

"What does the information bureau of the seven seas know about it?"

"Lost three years ago—spring of 1901—got into ice field off the tip of the Aleutians. Some of the crew froze. Others got ashore. Part of survivors accounted for. Others not. Say they're turned native. Don't know myself."

"The Aleutians?" exclaimed Billy Edwards. "Great cat! What a drift! How many thousands miles would that be?"

"Not as far as many another destination. I wandered in her time, son," said Barnett.

The talk washed back and forth across the bulks of classic sea myths,

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"Mirage, maybe," suggested Edwards.

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## A BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Book Title: *Yes a Fine Way to Amuse Yourself*

A new and pleasant birthday party for children of the school age is a book title of the same name on the same page as that of their elders, but with titles and contents so arranged that it is a work represented for guessing.

Cards which give the different book names should be prepared in advance of the occasion.

As each boy or girl arrives a ribbon on which a card is swung is hung around his or her neck, pencil and paper being distributed at the same time.

On each card is a number as well as the illustration representing the book titles. When all have arrived a bell rings a signal for the contest to begin. Players now commence writing down the names of the books as they think them to be.

Examples of juvenile book titles pictorially represented are given below for the benefit of the enterprising who wishes to try this plan:

"Picture of a boy's head" or any other famous beauty colored black as if in silhouette. "Black Beauty."

Sketch of a slipper or a tiny crystal slipper of those sold as favors for holding candies served on card. "Cinderella; or, The Little Glass Slipper."

A spray of American Beauties represented as fully open. "Rose in Bloom."

Sketch of a cat's head followed by a question mark. "What Katy Did."

Picture of a knight in armor forlornly gazing at a cross. "The Night Before Christmas."

These suggestions are merely hints of what can be made a clever and amusing party for the children.

Each guest examines the cards on the other guests as well as his own, and writes his answer after the correct answer has been given. The contest book will make an appropriate prize for the winner.

## A JAPANESE GARDEN.

Planned a Century Ago and in Beautiful Condition Today.

A former American minister to the court of the mikado tells of a wonderful Japanese garden at the center of which was a little lake that had a tiny island with miniature mountains and ponds, with pine-trees and azaleas, some of them centuries old, yet which had not mounted to more than a foot in height.

In its relation to other things, this island looked small, a veritable speck, but viewed from a certain angle of the veranda, so that no extension of the island was visible, the proportion, the island appeared to be a large piece of land perhaps half a mile square, with trees, mountains and all the things of the normal scene.

The garden was conceived in the past has been deep perhaps a century, but his successors in the craft have kept it up to date and every year have been convinced that when the landscape came in the condition to give greatest pleasure to its wealthy owner.

Next to landscape painting, plants, moss—all these things in these exquisite creations in which man weathers the brush, but nature mixes the color. The very last refinement of natural beauty is to be found in the surroundings which the man of wealth has prepared for himself by his experts in the Japanese art of the garden, blossom and early flowers.

## NEEDLEWORK NOTES.

Mercedized gingham is a suitable material for making a plain dress sack. Make it collarless and outline the opening, fronts and sleeves with a wide band of white or use white embroidery.

A pretty card holder is made with a large piece of heavy cardboard with the corners folded in to the top to form a triangle shaped receptacle that will hold a ball of cord. Make a hole in the bottom of the box and draw the cord through it. Fasten the cord sides together with little bows of baby ribbon and tie at the top with baby ribbon.

Next to leather, nothing is more useful for covering stiff waist and other utility boxes than burp. Then, too, if the color selected harmonizes with the color scheme of the room it combines beauty with usefulness. The edges of the box should be finished off with linen braid of the color of the leather. To make the box look like a leather box, the leather and the braid may be bought at any upholstery or in any drapery department of a large store.

Burp can be used with splendid effect for portieres where an inexpensive, yet attractive, material is desired.

A Business That Pays. Women are, as a rule, most successful in decorative work, and it is a matter of fact that comparative few have so far made money in this branch of money making.

There are numbers of girls with power in the decorative line who might pick up carous and antiques at a reasonable price, though, of course, even in the depths of the country the supply has been largely depleted for years.

Not alone that, but cottage owners of old china and oak have become more wary, and articles of what Mrs. Malaprop terms "highly decorative" are not to be bought up for a mere song.

Still there is a good field for the woman collector in furnishing and decorative work. The demand for such articles is steadily increasing, and many a "housewife" has made a fortune in the artistic value of a woman's work.

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## CHILD'S IDEAL DAY.

Little One Must Rise as Soon as He Wakes.

"From his earliest years," says Maria Collins, later, a exponent of Rousseau's theory that a child must not be taught systematically until twelve years old, "the little one must rise as soon as he awakes, though on an account of his weakness, perhaps, maturity. After a bath he must go straight out into the garden, and there, if possible, eat a substantial meal of as much wholesome food as appetite suggests. The child may then ask questions, and these should be answered. Then, as in the philosophy of the great Socrates, other subjects will suggest themselves. These must be pursued so long as there is no lack of interest. Let me suggest a concrete example. The morning prayer may suggest little history. This, in turn, will open out topics of general history; then the untamed mind may wander out into geography, and even hygiene. The child must play, too, let his fancy dictate. Dumbbells and systematic athletic exercises I do not recommend except in the case of stunted or deformed children, and under the advice of a health specialist. The next variation in the child's day is to be found in the study of poetry, if he chooses. Arithmetic and the multiplication tables he learns during his play with matches and marbles. If the child were not let him have plenty of wholesome food, and at noon or shortly afterward a full meal dinner, I am no faddist, but I disagree with giving a child tea, coffee or stimulants. At the age of ten or eleven years, however, this rule may be relaxed. A short rest, out of doors, following the midday meal, and then, as provided the child is not unwilling, a long walk is advantageous. For ten, with plenty of better is the thing. The child may then be taught to beat. Here, if anyone, I depart from my rule of the child's consent. He may be taught to long rest. Nature demands it."

A GERM HATER'S FIND.

Vanity Shell For the Up to Date Kitchen Sink.

Who but a germ hater would have thought of a vanity shell for the kitchen sink? The vanity shell, which has one on which she keeps all the articles required to make the sink absolutely sanitary. She has a row of articles in the vanity shell, all of which have a definite and important use in the sanitary scheme.

There is a jar of good scouring fluid, an ammonia bottle, a wide mouthed china jar in which she keeps a soft spongy cloth to use after the dishes are washed, and a small jar of disinfectant. A little rubber dish keeps them in fair condition, so that a really hard polishing is needed only once a week or so. The vanity shell will remove stains on the brass, while chloride of lime mixture kills germs, keeps the enamel clean and the pipes pure.

All these little beauties are for the sink alone. On the other side of the vanity shell this careful housekeeper has jars and bottles of lotions to use on her hands. On the third part of the vanity shell is a bottle of fresh toilet water to take away the smell of vegetables she has been preparing and looking an antiseptic powder answers the same purpose, and its drug shop odor is more pleasing sometimes than perfume. A bottle of turpentine is also in the vanity shell in case of burns; scouring soap for the hands and a pot of liquid vaseline to rub on the soles of her shoes.

For beautifying the veranda or covering the wall of a brick or stone house with a living coat of green which will be a joy to every lover of nature there is a large variety of vines which grow with little care and are a perpetual delight.

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The former is not as hardy as the latter, but in the middle and southern latitudes it succeeds well and forms a beautiful mass against a wall. The Virginia creeper is perfectly hardy. It will hide ugly stone fences, outbuildings and dead trees, transforming them into things of beauty.

The rapid growing Virgin's Bower vine is excellent for the veranda, giving a dense shade. It presents a sorry sight in the winter, but in the summer it is a large variety of vines which grow with little care and are a perpetual delight.

A companion variety of several climates, occasion, has been colored brown and white. It is a climbing vine, but at a distance. Climatic peculiarity, the Japan climatic, is one of the best vines, growing rapidly and presenting a superb display of blossoms when in flower.

The wistaria is a good vine for a trellis, but is somewhat coarse in its most verandas, being better suited for the rustic house or pergola, where its delightful purple flowers hang in graceful profusion. The Crimson Rambler rose is one of the hardest and most satisfactory of climbers, admirably suited for the veranda.

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## Young Folks

A LITTLE VOLCANO.

How to Perform an Interesting and Harmless Experiment.

A toy volcano that will send forth flames and ashes with lava streaming down its sides in real volcanic action can be made by any boy without any more danger than firing an ordinary firecracker. A mound of sand or earth is built up about a foot high in the shape of a volcano. Roll up a piece of heavy paper, making a tube five inches long and one and a half inches in diameter. This tube of paper is placed in the top of the mound by first setting it upon a flat sheet of paper and building up the sand or earth about the sides until it is all covered excepting the top opening. This is a trap all dampen away from the mixture to be placed within.

A tube from a firecracker, or one made by winding some powder in tissue paper, is placed in the paper tube of the volcano with one end extending over the edge. Get some potash from a drug store, and be sure to state the purpose for which it is wanted, as there are numerous kinds of potash that will not be suitable. An equal amount of sugar is mixed with the potash and placed in the paper tube. On top of this, a layer of pure potash, and on this, a layer of pure powder. This completes the volcano, and it only remains for the fuse to be lighted and there are numerous kinds of potash that will not be suitable. An equal amount of sugar is mixed with the potash and placed in the paper tube. On top of this, a layer of pure potash, and on this, a layer of pure powder. This completes the volcano, and it only remains for the fuse to be lighted and there are numerous kinds of potash that will not be suitable. An equal amount of sugar is mixed with the potash and placed in the paper tube. On top of this, a layer of pure potash, and on this, a layer of pure







## Local and General.

R. C. Webster, has returned home from British Columbia.

For Rent or Sale—An 8 room house. Inquire of Mrs. C. S. Akey.

Mr. W. Crow is conducting a speaking campaign in the Stettler district.

Miss Dorothy East of Red Deer has accepted a position in W. E. Lord & Co's Store.

Fred Taylor has opened a new blacksmith shop in Lacombe, next to the planing mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Biley and Chas. Stoddard returned from California after 4 years' absence.

At the time of closing the farms on this issue everything looks propitious for the best Fall Fair ever held in Lacombe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Castles of Red Deer have been visiting at E. Parly's, Alfr. They were guests of Mrs. McKenty on their return.

A. Driggs visited Thos. Jones at Chigwell this week. He reports that Mr. Jones has forty-six stacks of oats and eighteen stacks of wheat, and will have over 10,000 bushels of grain this year.

It is the absolute certainty of a proper diagnosis and treatment of all eye troubles that, makes Dr. Harvey's advice such a boon. Consult him at Lacombe on Tuesday, October 13. Hours 10 to 12, 2 to 5, or by appointment.

The bylaw to grant \$3,000 to the Alberta Sanitarium Company was carried on the 25th by a vote of 102 for, to 16 against. This means the establishment of an institution here that cannot fail to benefit Lacombe. The Advertiser believes the people have spoken wisely.

The enumerators are busy with the lists. Both parties are in the field hard at work. The Conservatives were never as well organized and confident of success. Victory is in the air. The swing of the pendulum is returning. The destiny "which shapes our ends" has rung the knell of plunder and blunder.

Owing to the absence of the Editor of The Advertiser for a large part of this week, while attending the annual meeting of the Alberta and East British Columbia Press Association, held this year at Nelson, this issue comes out somewhat late. We trust that under the circumstances our readers will overlook the delay.

Dr. Harvey is the author of many valuable treatises on matters pertaining to the eye and the proper correction of defects of sight. He is the inventor of the Harvey Dynamic Illuminated Retina Ophthalmoscope and the founder of the Empire College of Ophthalmology, Toronto, which has raised the standard of optical knowledge to a professional basis, and whose graduates are today giving the public more satisfactory sight than previously obtained by any known method. By his recent discoveries in marked astigmatism many who were great sufferers have been restored to normal sight. The Doctor will visit Lacombe, Tuesday, October 13.

### A Dangerous Plea.

We are surprised to see that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has attempted to dispose of Mr. Borden's arguments with a sneer, and the Liberal newspapers and speakers, following this lead, have set up the cry of a "Slander Campaign." This cry has been heard before. It was used with great vigor by the defenders of the Ross government on Ontario as their unfailing answer to the arraignment which swept them from office with an overwhelming defeat.

The taunt is as absurd as it is dangerous to those who make it. Slander and personal abuse have no part in the dignified addresses of the Conservative leader; and the Conservative platform he has announced is singularly constructive, progressive, and business-like.

It is true that the record of the Liberal government gives peculiar significance to the Conservative plea for the purity of administration which forms part of the Halifax platform and to which the Conservative party is publicly committed. But the Conservative party is not responsible for the Liberal record.

It is true that with purity of administration scandals of administration cannot exist, and that when we achieve purity of administration we shall hear the last of graft in timber deals, graft in land deals, graft in townsite deals, or of the wicked and ridiculous waste of the people's money to reward political partisans. But does that make a "Slander Campaign?"

We doubt if any Canadian publicist has done his whole duty to the electors of Canada who has not called their attention to the shameful revelations which investigations in Parliament and proceedings in courts of justice have disclosed as the political methods of the Laurier government. We shall deal with some of them in a later issue. It is the unmistakable sign of a hopeless case to raise against them the childish answer of a taunt.

We Canadian people must have a care that the National conscience be not deadened. A generation ago the hint of public scandal would have overwhelmed the ablest ministry of the day. Like Caesar's wife the nation's trustees must have been above suspicion. Any one of our many disclosures of corrupt administration would drive a British cabinet from office and debar the minister responsible from public life forever.

In the strenuous campaign of the presidential election in the United States no word of the like is heard and we are given, on occasion, to draw comparisons between American and Canadian politics to our advantage. The American people make short work of a scandal government. The possibility of a slander campaign is sufficient.

If the statement of these facts makes a "slander campaign" we fear we are guilty. But it is a very poor argument to call names.

### A Prophetic Sacrifice.

Mackenzie King, formerly deputy minister of Labor, now Liberal candidate in Waterloo, reputed to be one of the strongest Liberal candidates, a man largely respected apart from his politics, is the latest prophet of Liberal

disaster at the polls. He asks the electors of Waterloo to sympathize with him and vote for him on account of his great sacrifice in giving up his government post. Now Mackenzie King knows, and we all know that should Laurier be returned to power he will be made a minister, if elected—if not elected he will be given back his old position. Mackenzie King likewise knows, and the country is beginning to appreciate the fact, that Laurier is not going to be returned to power—that therefore Mr. King, if elected, will simply be a private member in opposition, without salary, or if unelected will have no chance to get back to his former post; hence Mr. King's feeling, voiced, as he touchingly put it, "in the presence of his father and mother and brothers and sisters," that he has in very truth too late found out that instead of bettering himself by becoming a candidate, with the promise of a portfolio in his pocket, he has in reality been called upon by his leader to make a "sacrifice" in the forlorn hope of trying to rally the ranks of the faithful around the discredited Laurier government.

### Blackfields.

Messrs. Werner and Long, threshers were unfortunate enough on Monday last to burn a stack of about fifty tons of hay on the farm of D. Lum on township line south of this village.

The hum of the thrasher is heard on all sides. The yield per acre is large and of good quality. R. H. Trout threshed over four thousand bushels of a quarter section that was entirely unbroken two years ago.

Nothing seems to have been done by the authorities at Edmonton in regard to the many robberies that have taken place in this vicinity during the past few months. Surely this is a criminal's paradise.

Dr. M. Clark passed through town on Monday on his way to address a meeting at Brookfield.

Dr. W. E. Bryant, arrived in town on Monday evening. He will open up an office over Zimmer's store.

Chris Sorensen's sale of farm stock, etc., on Tuesday afternoon, was well attended and good prices realized. S. W. Paisley wielded the hammer with the usual good results.

Anyone who took lessons in Chemical Oil Painting can buy their transparent compound and transparent cement of L. Boode at the Royal Hotel, who is also prepared to give lessons in Chemical Oil Painting.

## See STEDMAN

First door east of Post Office

for a stylish suit from \$18.00 up, made to your measure by the famous House of Hobberlin

of Toronto.

You have the choice of 300 samples and an Iron Clad Guarantee goes with every garment. You are welcome to come in and inspect the samples.

## STEDMAN, THE CLOTHIER

### NOTICE.

#### Odd Numbered Sections

19th August, 1908.

As already publicly announced, odd numbered sections remaining vacant and undisposed of will become available for homestead entry on the coming into force of the Dominion Lands Act on the 1st September next.

As the records of only the even numbered sections have hitherto been kept in the books of the various land agencies in the western provinces and the time having been very limited since the passing of the Act within which to transfer the records of all odd numbered sections from the head office at Ottawa to local offices, it is possible that the transfer of records in some cases may not have been absolutely completed by the 1st of September. In any case where the record of any quarter section has not been transferred, application will be accepted but will have to be forwarded to head office to be dealt with.

As it has been found impossible as yet to furnish sub-agencies with copies of the records of odd numbered sections, and in view of the large probable demand for entries, all applicants for entry upon odd numbered sections are strongly advised to make their applications in person at the office of the Dominion Lands Agent and not through a sub land agent. Applications for even numbered sections may be dealt with through the sub land agent as before if desired.

J. W. GREENWAY,

Commissioner of Dominion Lands.

### NEW Blacksmith Shop

I have opened a Blacksmith Shop next to the Planing Mill, Lacombe, and am prepared to do all kinds of work in my line, including plow work, wood work and horse shoeing.

FRED TAYLOR

#### Spring Valley.

Stacking is now in order and everybody is busy bringing in the sheaves.

The threshing campaign opened last week. The yield is satisfactory but the straw was tough and the outfit pulled for Pleasant Valley.

Real estate is beginning to move. The P. Makepeace homestead was sold to a Toronto party at \$13 an acre and the A. Makepeace quarter adjoining to a Nebraska man at \$13.50 an acre. It is also reported that the Olson estate has been purchased by a gentleman from North Dakota.

#### Birth

CROOKER — At Spruceville, on Thursday, October 3, 10, Mr. and Mrs. John Crooker, a daughter.

## GURNEY-OXFORD

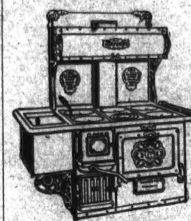
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FOR years the name "GURNEY-OXFORD" has stood for the highest development in cooking ranges. No matter what conditions the range must meet, no matter what price you wish to pay, you will get more range efficiency for your money in the "Gurney-Oxford" lines than in any other that's built.

All our years of experience and our store of range knowledge is put into this one of our latest productions—

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is built of dead flat, patent levelled steel and lined with asbestos—the kind that stands all kinds of heat and never warps or cracks.



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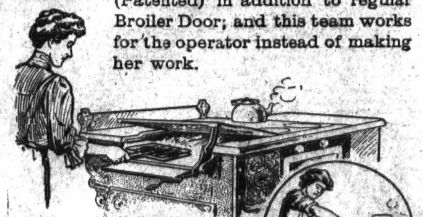
built of patent levelled, dead-flat steel—will last a lifetime. Fitted with the Duplex reversible grate, which can be removed without disturbing the linings. The Gurney-Oxford Chancellor range saves food, fuel and worry. Takes all the bother out of cooking.

The Gurney Standard Metal Co., Limited, Selling Agents, Morris & Taylor, Lacombe.

## Sask-alta Steel Range

BROILING MEAT & TOASTING BREAD.

One way produces evenly broiled meat and evenly toasted bread without taxing the patience of the housewife. This way is represented by "Sask-alta" Range. The reason: "Sask-alta" Range has an Automatic Lift Top (Patented) in addition to regular Broiler Door; and this team works for the operator instead of making her work.



The "Sask-alta" Way

Another way produces unevenly broiled meat and unevenly toasted bread and taxes the patience of the housewife. This way is represented by most Ranges. The reason: Some Ranges have "only" a Broiler Door, others have a contrivance like that illustrated in top small drawing; both of which enjoy the distinction of tiring the arm that holds the broiler and tiring the eye that directs the arm.



Still Another Way

## McClary's

London, Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver, St. John, Hamilton, Calgary